



Criteria – Short Form

Conservation

Plants

- _____ Non-invasive, hydrozoned, and climate-appropriate (unless it is edible).
- _____ Local native plant material is utilized for at least 10% of the visible garden area.

Turf Grass Areas

- _____ No turf grass OR
- _____ Climate-appropriate turf is limited to 20% of total square footage of landscaped area.

Irrigation

- _____ No automatic irrigation system is utilized, OR
- _____ High efficiency irrigation system with no water waste.

Permeability

Healthy, Living Soil

- _____ A minimum of 2 inches to 4 inches of natural woodchip mulch is present in all planted and open areas, preferably with some leaf material, excluding areas around the crown of woody plants and trees.
- _____ Use of compost, and no use of pesticides, herbicides or fungicides.
- _____ No landscape fabric (weedcloth) was used.

Hardscape

- _____ Walkways and patios direct rainwater to landscaping, use pavers, use permeable materials, or are made permeable by creating gaps and filling in with gravel or plants.

Retention

Re-direct It

- _____ Where feasible, roof gutters/downspouts, roofs without gutters/downspouts, and drains are directed away from impermeable surfaces and into landscaping, a permeable area, or into retention/detention devices if the first two are not an option.

Soak It Up

- _____ The garden design captures as much of the rainfall from rooftops and other impermeable surfaces as possible by using contours, swales and dry creek beds, or retention/detention devices when necessary.

OFG Map

_____ Permission to use on OFG Map. _____ Sq. Ft. roof area. _____ Sq. Ft.
garden area.